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SUBJECT: NEW US TUNA FISHING REGULATIONS DESIGNED TO
PROTECT PORPOISES

REF: STATE 208907 AND STATE A-12024 DEC 12, 1972

1. PLEASE LET US KNOW BY CABLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
WHETHER OR NOT THE NEW REGULATIONS CITED IN REFTEL WILL
APPLY TO IMPORTED TUNA.

2. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW HOW THEY WILL AFFECT US
FLAG TUNA SEINERS BASED IN ECKU#
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DER CHARTER OR
OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.

3. THE GOE IS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO CONSERVATION BUT
IS ALSO COMMITTED TO CREATING NATIONAL TUNA INDUSTRY
WHICH WOULD BE LARGELY DEPENDENT UPON EXPORTS TO THE
US. HENCE ANY THREAT TO THOSE EXPORTS COULD HAVE AN
IMPORTANT IMPACT HERE.

4. WE PARTICULARLY DO NOT WANT THE GOE TO INTERPRET
THE REGULATIONS
AS SANCTION - AN INTERPRETATION IT
IS QUITE CAPABLE OF MAKING. EXPLAINING THESE
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REGULATIONS BEFORE THEY APPEAR IS PROBABLY THE BEST

WAY TO INFLUENCE THE GOE ATTITUDE FAVORABLY.
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